MUNICIPAL COURT JOBBERY BREAKS A WOMAN'S HEART

Organization Forced Demo- Only 39,988 Aliens Have tion of Mrs. Pickering to Make Room for Penrose Supporter.

Another charge has been laid at the door of the politically controlled Municipal Court. This time the court is accused of breaking a woman's heart that a job might be made for a man.

Mrs. Jessie L. Pickering, of 235 South 23d street, is seriously Ill. Behind that illness lies a tale of sordid politics. Mrs. Pickering was ousted from the position of chief probation officer of the Juvenile Court to make a place for a voter after the Juvenile Court came into control of the Municipal Court, and the power of appointment was placed in the hands of President Judge Charles L. Brown, of the 15th Ward, ex-ward worker and leader and personal friend of State Senator James P. McNichol and one of that type of men advocating the re-election of Sen-

Transferred from her office following a measure passed by Organization legislators and demoted to a lower position. It became known today that Mrs. Pickering for months has been suffering from nervous prostration. The attack came as a result of constant worry.

Mrs. Pickering is now at the home of her son, who resides in Narberth. Until a short while ago she was in bed. She is now able to walk about the house although her condition, according to her physicians, is still serious. Mrs. Pick-ering was stricken a few months after she had been practically banished from her old office in the City Hall to a little, badly ventilated and ill lighted office at

The duties of chief probation officer, which Mrs. Pickering performed for a number of years, are now being discharged by Thomas G. Parris. His salary is \$3000 a year, or \$500 more than Mrs Pickering received. Parris was ap-pointed as chief probation officer by

Judge Brown. Friends of Mrs. Pickering, who is a brilliant woman and who for years has been actively engaged in juvenile work among foreigners in South Philadelphia, and who years ago was one of the prime movers for starting a Juvenile Court. stated today that she became a changed voman soon after being demoted.

CONCERNED FOR CHILDREN.

Mrs. Pickering's greatest concern seemed to be over the many little girls and boys whom she met daily or weekly when she was seated behind her desk in Room 765 in the City Hall.

"I have no fault to find, but I will surely iss some of the children," Mrs. Pickering is quoted as saying, when she packed up her things prior to her departure to

After taking up the duties of a regular probation officer, Mrs. Pickering often found time, it is said, to walk over to the City Hall and scan the faces of some of the children for whom she had obtained

the latter part of last April Mrs. Pickering failed to appear in her Arch street office. This was after she had come to work daily feeling ill. Later her ndition became serious and nervous

Although Mrs. Pickering has beer practically confined in bed since last April, very few persons in this city knew of her illness outside of her relatives, few friends and some of her "kiddles, which term she often used for children

daced under her probation, Despite the fact that Mrs. Pickering hoproved somewhat, it was learned relative that it will be many weeks before she will again be seen in

ORGANIZATION MAN HAS PLACE The appointment of Parris was made last January. Parris is known as a Republican Organization man. Before his appointment to Mrs. Pickering's position he was supervising principal of a Gernantown school.

When Parris was appointed in Mrs Pickering's place the excuse was given that the position had to be filled by a man because it was so stipulated in the set which brought about the Municipal Court. These familiar with conditions in the Municipal Court declare that the duties of chief probation officer have no turies of chief probation officer may not the reased since the salary of that position has been raised, and that if a change was necessary a physician should have not the place. One expert soil that of all types a school teacher was most ill

adapted for the place.
A close relative of Mrs. Pickering made following statement today:

"Mrs. Pickering loved her work probaher care. Her greatest delight der her care. Her greatest delight which was written by a youngster wha had been arrested by the police and later released on parole. The children looked upon her as a mother or sister. Some had more confidence in her than their own relatives. Mrs. Pickering's who had narrowly missed a sen-e in some reformatory and was rking and attending night school." Irs. Pickering is 51 years old, and years her family has been prominent

in this city. When a girl she was prom-ment in church work. She, with other prominent women of this city years ago. reed that a juvenile court be located in DEEPLY INTERESTED IN WORK.

After the juvenile court came into exence she was appointed a probation The appointment came after she and been nominated by a civic organi-ation. In those days probation officers in draw salaries. With Mrs. Pick-rug about 19 other prominent women were appointed.

W. C. T. U. IN CONVENTION

Many Philadelphia Women Leave To-

day for Oil City Meeting. Philadelphia women left today Sity as delegates and to participate fortieth annual convention insvivania W. C. T. U., which in in session over October 6. Committee meets today, and quen temperance workers of this

those from Philadelphia and viwill participate in the proreadings or addresses ayyah Barakat and lison. Those on the Execuinclude Mrs. M. V. String-ive Pond Amies, Madans is H. Frances Jones, Mrs. s, Mrs. K. D. Hauck, Mrs. srand, Mrs. C. H. P. Still-

IMMIGRATION FALLS FAR BELOW USUAL

Landed Since January 1

the great powers of Europe, is responthis port. From January 1 until today 29,988 allens landed at the various steamthe port's history,

Only 1650 aliens were brought here the past menth. This is the smallest number in years to arrive in this length of time. The best month of the present year was

early in the year by a steamship war

of other lines.
Commissioner of Immigration Greenawalt admitted yesterday that the number of arrivals was decreasing, but he declared his force was kept busy attending to other routine affairs and the investigation of special cases that had been sandwiched between incoming steamships

the end of the present struggle in Europe means a tremendous influx of Im-

"I am not in a position to answer that uestion." Commissioner Greenwalt requestion," Commissioner Greenwait re-plied. "This is the greatest war history has ever known, and who can foretell its would deduct that it will mean a rush of men, women and children to our friendly shores. The devastation wrought by war will mean that many will be homeless and penniless. The countries will be heavily taxed, and these people, already over-burdened, will no doubt look about for a refuge to begin life anew. The fact that many will be poverty stricken will be a barrier to them coming here, as thousands who may desire to come to the United States will be unable to pay their passage. However, I believe that I can safely predict a gain in immigration here at the close of hostilities, but just how heavy that gain will be remains to

GLOUCESTER STATION DESERTED. The Detention House, at the Gloucester Immigration Station, admittedly the best of its kind in the country, has the appearance of a deserted house. The comfortable rooms, beds and lounging chairs, four of them are always seen annually. which have held representatives of nearly every nation under the sun, are now idle. A silence pervades where once there echo-ed the sounds of polyglot tongues.

of ham and cabbage. She has a contract with the United States Government to supply detained immigrants with meals, When there are none to feed, she makes no money. The more immigrants detained, the more money she makes. The con-tract calls for three meals to each alien, for which she receives 47 cents. It has been one of the wonders of the immi-grant station how Mrs. Palmer could sup-ply such wholesome and delicious meals for such a small sum. She declares she can do so and make a living. Mrs. Palmer has been the supervisor of the immigrants' meals for 15 years,

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Obscured Signals on P. R. R.

York division of the Pennsylvania Rail-road slowed down in Frankford. The trains did not honor Frankford by

the semaphores. A dump on G street along the side of the track took fire. It burned for 42 hours, notwithstanding the attack of the firemen. As soon as the flames were extinguished in one place they burst forth in another. Spontaneous compustion due to the weather conditions combustion due to the weather conditions is said to have caused the fire

RECORD IN THIS CITY

Steamship War and Struggle in Europe Responsible.

War of two kinds, a commercial war and the bloody struggle now involving sible for the decline in immigration at ship docks in this city. In the same period last year, the number was 58,088, and the total for the whole year, 75,000, was the banner record for the port. The current year promises to be the worst in

April, when the arrivals numbered 5915. Immigration through this port was cut

between the North German Lloyd Steamship Company and the Hamburg-American Steamship Company, which diverted thousands of allens to Canada. These two lines bring more than two-thirds of the immigrants to this port. The outbreak of the war in August tended to add further to the decline. The two lines in question, together with the Red Star Line, were compelled to cancel sailings to and from this port, and the call to the colors lessened the number if immigrants usually brought in on vessels

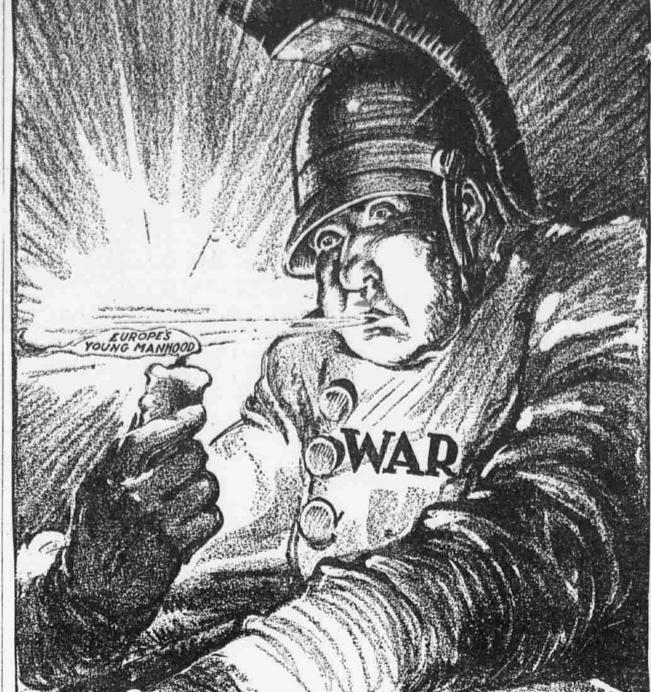
'Do you believe, Commissioner, that migrants," he was asked.

One person to whom the war is as pop-ular as a safety razor salesman to a barber, is Mrs. Anna L. Palmer, who has

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Frankford for 42 Hours. For forty-two hours trains of the Ne

full stop, but the engineers had to cut if the steam because they could not see



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FINDING NEW COMET IS NOT UNUSUAL NOW

Local Astronomers See Little in New

Mexico Discovery. Philadelphia astronomers are inclined to attach little importance to the new comet said to have been discovered by Professor Clarence T. Haggerty, of the New Mexico College of Agriculture and Mechanical Art. They say there is nothing unusual in a comet being seen at this or any other time of the year, as three or Professor Haggerty, according to a di-

patch from Cambridge, Mass., telegraphed discovery of the new body, which, he said, was visible to the naked eye. He given thousands of aliens their first taste | gave its position as right ascension, nothing hours, 5 minutes, declination minus 45 degrees at 11:30 p. m.. September 25.

Dr. Charles Leander Doolittle, Flower emeritus professor of astronomy at the University of Pennsylvania, said today there was apparently nothing unusual in Doctor Haggerty's comet. He had not observed it, he said, and had not been on the lookout for any unusual astronomic spectacle. It was interesting to note, he stated, that the comet was discernible to the taked eye, and the new quite an interesting phenomenon, but at the same time comets such as described were not utter strangers in the heavens at this time of year. Doctor Doclittle intimated he might take observations of

the Haggerty comet. Professor N. B. Snyder, teacher of astronomy at the Central High School said he attached little importance to the Haggerty discovery. "New comets are found each year." he said, "and unless there is something unusual about this partic-"It is interesting," be continued, "to hear that the comet is visible to the naked eye, but even this is not unusual." Doctor Snyder said he had not been on the lookout for comets recently, would probably watch for the new dis-

overy tonight.
He further stated the Haggerty comet might be seen with the naked eye in this section of the country, even though it was first seen from New Mexico. "Because the comet was discovered there," he stated, "is no reason why it could not be seen in Philadelphia. although its observation here was by no means cer-

MRS. JESSIE L. PICKERING

Enormous Weapon Will Guard Pacific Entrance to Panama Canal.

There can be little consolution for the thousands of volunteer peace makers in this country who are trying to settle the war in Europe in the announcement that the biggest gun in the world is being built in the United States arsenal in Watervilet, N. Y., and is to be placed at the Pacific end of the Panama canal.

The gun is a 16-inch weapon, 49 feet 3 inches in length, and weighs about 120 tons 15 bases are respectively. and it will hurl a projectile of 2300 pounds Each discharge will cost the Government

to the Harvard College Observatory his bush at the canal, being lifted to position bush at the canal, being lifted to position by a big running carriage which will be The enormous weapon will lie in amdropped from view immediately the on has been discharged.

experts of all countries have followed the gun's construction, to such extent as this Government would permit, with the keenest interest. The gun's installation will be an event in the history of defensive measures. But let us hop there is only a remote likelihood it eve will be used other than as a threat against peace disturbers. On the conti-nent all is war, every gun belches forth death. Here all is peace and our biggest gun, the largest in the world, is being fashioned for the preservation of peace, but if it is needed for another purpose be mighty effective.

discovery might possibly turn out to be PENROSE HITS ADMINISTRATION Says It Has Replaced Union Vet-

erans With Confederates. making an attack on the Wilson Administration, Senator Penrose yester-day declared that there had been a great deal of discrimination against vet-erans of the Union Army, not only in Pennsylvania, but throughout the coun-

try. Senator Penrose made his charges soon after his return from the western sec-tion of the State, where he held several important conferences with Organization leaders. Senator Penrose declared that Confederate veterans had obtained all he important positions, especially in he District of Columbia. Discussing his charges concerning the

Blue and the Gray, Senator Penrose said:
"For instance, in my recent trip "For instance, in my recent trip through Western Pennsylvania I was repeatedly reminded that not a single Union veteran had been appointed to a Federal office in this State under the Wilson Administration. On the other hand, scores of Union soldiers have been discharged."

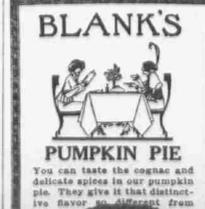
SAFEST CITY IN THE WORLD

Future Predicted for Philadelphia by Commissioner of Labor.

After making a study of municipal con ditions in large cities in Europe, from whence he returned last Tuesday, Dr. John Price Jackson. State Commissioner of Labor, made a prediction today that a quarter of a century hence Philadelphia would be the handsomest and safest city in the world.

city in the world.

Doctor Jackson, discussing his visit to
Berlin, said: "There are many persons
who call Philadelphia slow. From what
I saw in Berlin, which is one of the most
progressive cities of Europe, Philadelphia
is going ahead with the speed of an ex-



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U. S. WILL HAVE BIGGEST GUN GIRL FALLS TWO STORIES. **GRINS AND RISES UNHURT**

Nine-Year-Old Margaret Diamoana Plunges From Window.

A fall of two stories to the sidewalk today occasioned nothing more than a smile from 9-year-old Margaret Diamoana, 1317 McCullen street, who plunged ead first from an upper window of her tome while playing hide-and-seek with a brother.

Persons on the street covered their eves hen they saw the little girl dive from the open window and land on her head. She immediately sat up, looked about and grinned. Then she rose to her feet as though nothing had happened, and ran into the house.

Neighbors who witnessed the fall fol-

lowed her and spoke to the girl's mother. Terrified, Mrs. Diamoana immediately took her daughter to the Methodist Hos-Physicians, after an hour's examina

tion, could find no injuries. The girl did not appear even to be shocked. Her only desire was to get back to her play.

A. E. TURNER FOR BRUMBAUGH

Demands Identity of Alleged "Independent Republican Committee." Albert E. Turner, for many years identifled with independent political movements, has demanded that the "Indepen-dent Republican Committee," at Harrisburg, which is working against the elec-tion of Doctor Brumbaugh, make public the names of its financial backers and

the personnel of its organization.

Mr. Turner made his demand in a letter to John B. Strain, secretary of the committee, in which he declared he was in full sympathy with any move to defeat a false Republican organization, but that he was convinced that Doctor Brumbaugh was a sincere, able and worthy candi-date. He stated he hoped to give some aid to the election of Congressman Palmer to succeed Penrose.

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MAN WATCHING FIGHT DROPS DEAD ON DOORSTEP

Dealer Sees Quarrel Between Employe and Negro, Then Dies.

Excitement engendered by watching fight between two men in front of his produce store, at 1702 Wharton street, proved fatal this morning to Stephen Moore, and he fell dead on his doorstep. The quarrel was between Richard Henry, 1703 Wharton street, who was employed by Moore, and an unidentified Nagro. The latter tried to grab some fruit from the stand in front of the store and Henry grappled with him. Moore had been in the back of the store. The shout of spectators brought him to the street. He stood in the ring him to the street. He stood in the ring about the two fighting men for a few minutes, encouraging his employe, and then suddenly placed his hand to his heart and fell. A physician pronounced

LET WATER IN, KEEP FOE OUT SUM OF DUTCH WAR TACTICS

him dead.

Sluices More Formidable Defense Than Entrenchments.

The problems of military strategy in Holland are different from those of any other country in the world. The greatest security of Holland lies in its greatest menace—the water.

Riding along through the country in a rallway train area. I W. Surdan the

railway train, says H. W. Suydam, the Brooklyn Eagle's war correspondent, one sees Holland as a flat green surface with gastronomical decorations of beef, lam and pork, all alive and chewing. It is the most peacefully innocuous landscape on earth. Look at the same thing on an army map, if you can get hold of one, and the whole southwestern part of Holland becomes a checkerboard of snares

"Open the sluices. Let the water in open the sinices. Let the water in and keep the enemy out."

That is the long and short of Dutch army tactics. So that when you read that the Dutch have flooded their frontier, which they have done to a small extent in the north, you may know that they are using one enemy to foll an-other, fighting fire with fire, or rather

in this case, fighting fire with water, which is the usual and proper method, even in smaller cases,

Beginning at Willemstad, the entire countryside is divided by great green dikes into squares and rhombuses and other indescribable geometrical figures. These divisions are so far apart and embrace such great distances, and are so inconspicuous that without a map they are not discernible at all. But they are there all the time, and between them are areas of lowland which may be pastures one day and immense ponds the next. The water in the canals which traverse

the country is kept very high in these days of stress and storm. All that is necessary to cut off a section of country is to open a sluice. The water pours in, and the inhabitants, who have been warned beforehand if there is time, flee to another section. Due to the elaborate system of intersecting dikes, it is pos-sible to flood just that section which lies in the path of the enemy's advance. And the enemy, coming up, is confronted by a great sheet of water as far as the eye can reach. It has a minimum depth of about 20 inches and a maximum depth of many feet. This leaves only the nar-row dikes to traverse and these, of course, are heavily guarded by Dutch, who can sweep them clear with big-calibred guns. To transport an army, with all its heavy equipment, across that surface of water, raked by heavy Dutch fire, is a problem that many comnanders would not care to face.

These spaces of land intervening be-ween the cross-country dikes are called 'polders." The name cannot be transited. It means just what I have tried o explain.

to explain.

There you have the chief strength of the Dutch defense. It is very simple and very effective, and very cheap. And backed up by that waiting army of 250,000, it ought to make those who regard the Dutch position as insignificant, think twice hefore chattering nonsense. hink twice before chattering nonsense.

TO WASH LEATHER GLOVES

Use warm rain water and yellow soap Wash the gloves on your hand and soap very well; rinse in clean rain water and soap again very freely and squeeze out the water. Lay the gloves on a clean cloth, not near the fire or in the air. Rub them frequently; they will take two or three days to dry, but the gloves will be

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DIET OF GLASS AND SOAP WOULD MAKE GEORGE VERY HAPP

Human Ostrich's Belove Menu Is Taboo at Ellis I land, While Wife Sigh for Dear Louvain.

Clad in corduroy and golf stocking with a three-ply gold ring on each the and a bead bracelet on one wrist, Geo Greene, a very, very black man, w startling mustache, alies Indien Vite the Human Ostrich, sits in the sun pe at Ellis Island waiting to be allowed give at least a part of his regular ; formance, so as to make enough m to get him and his wife out of the t of Government and safety to his na West Indies. He does not ask to be mited to give all the performance; deed, he cannot walk upon the 150 tles in his bare feet unless those 150 tles are supplied to him. But, mais could he not be permitted to swallow electric light bulb or two, a cake of t light Soap ("Soap is my cheese," the Human Ostrich, languidly) or a cou of clay pipes? While George sits in the sun parlor

wife, a French woman, and, as her

band says, "a very nice lady," through the weary days on a bench in room consigned to women. She keeps her brown coat and her little brown duroy hat, which keeps a jaunty twis its own over her tired and elderly for but she does not go outdoors at all mingle with the other women and children, who are trying their new-fo freedom in the long, green lawn spe boxed in with low walls of hedge. Bit not an immigrant, and so she wo rather sit on the hard bench, waiting in George, alias Vitreo, shall have sw lowed his bite of sawdust and his chu of coal, and she may set forth for West Indies, which she has never se For madame is not a native of the W Indies, but of Louvain. She covers face with her small pudgy hands now the mention of it. Her English is ve limited, and she cannot say what s would. All she can say about it is, "Le vain, Louvain," and then she looks abo her at the walls of the rooms consign to women and shrugs slightly. None u derstands her French, and the interpret can only be called upon for matters

TURNED OUT OF PARIS HOTEL But the Human Ostrich himself is daunted by the fortunes of war. He t of how, even though he and his wife lived in Paris ever since they were m ried, 25 years ago, they were uncerm ously hustled out of their hotel in Pe on the second day of August, because was kept by a German; of how ever thing they had in the world was taken thrown out and destroyed, and of h now he has nothing but \$1 in his pock besides their tickets to Nassau, Baham and the papers which identify aim. "But I am now too old to be rung about anyway," he says. "I am now and I have run about enough, all about

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world. We have great grounds in Nast

and I shall work them when we there. But first I must get there. must have more than \$1."

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